

Belnorth

Football Club

Summer Football Junior Competition

Belnorth Summer Football is a 6 aside small sided social competition. With an emphasis on **social soccer** games are played for fun. Belnorth has rules that are aimed at increasing the enjoyment of the game and that suit players of all skills.

Standard Rules:

1. Games are 45 minutes with 20-minute halves and a 5-minute half time break.
2. Teams must have 4 players on the field or will forfeit. If your team is short on players ask around, there are always players looking for an extra game and will be happy to help teams out.
3. Teams must wear the same coloured uniform, Goalkeepers must wear a different coloured shirt. Bibs will be available from the Kaleen pavilion if required.
4. No slide tackles are permitted, referees will be provided where possible and can caution and send players off.
5. Players that are cautioned will be required to leave the field for 5 minutes. Players sent off will be required to leave the field for the whole game and may face further disciplinary action.
6. In the event a referee cannot be provided the home team will need to officiate.

Special Social Competition Rules:

1. 3 goal rule for any games where a team is 3 goals ahead:
 - The leading team must play the ball back through their defensive third (goal box) whenever they regain the ball before being able to score; AND
 - The team trailing by 3 goals will be able to run an extra player.
 - Once the 3 goal difference has reduced original format can resume.
2. Belnorth coordinators will monitor games results and where appropriate some teams maybe moved into a different competition group that will better suit their skills.

Belnorth News and Updates:

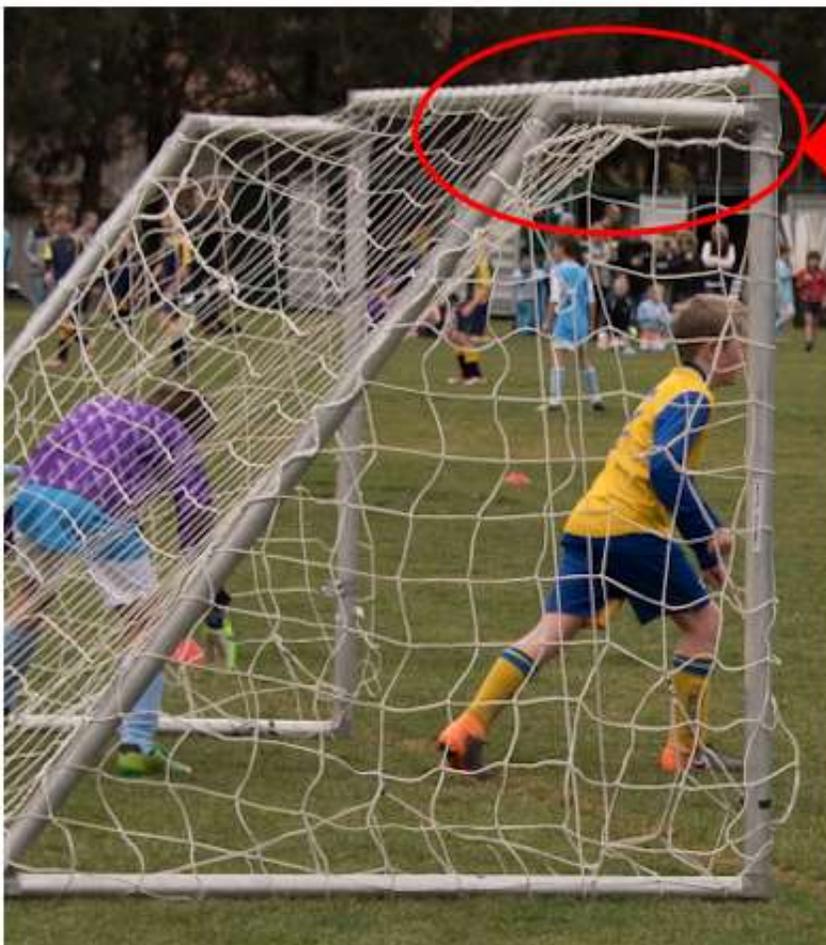
Belnorth sends important news items, such as weather cancellations through the Belnorth Team App – send this link onto all team members to load the app

<https://belnorthfootballclub.teamapp.com/>

Team Duties:

Teams will be responsible for setting up and packing down fields and goals each night. U8 thru U11 will use the short side goals with the black nets and are played on the smaller marked fields.

U12 thru U18 will swap over to the longer goals with the white nets and move the corner flags to the larger marked fields. See image below for correct set up of the goals.



Goals **MUST** have the short bar at the top, as per the picture.

All goals **MUST** be pegged into the ground.

Support your referee

We are ALL responsible to support our referees, together we need to eliminate both physical and verbal abuse of match officials and provide a better experience for all participants in our game.

Everyone in the football community has a right to feel safe and supported when they participate in our sport. There has been an alarming escalation in the number of serious incidents placing referee safety at risk in recent seasons, as a community we clearly have more work to do to support our referees. This behaviour has no place in our game.

Officiating at matches is a difficult task, one made even harder in an environment where verbal abuse and our junior referees are still developing, they need our support.

DO NOT stand by, if you hear abuse of a match official. Call it out or look for a club official and report it immediately.